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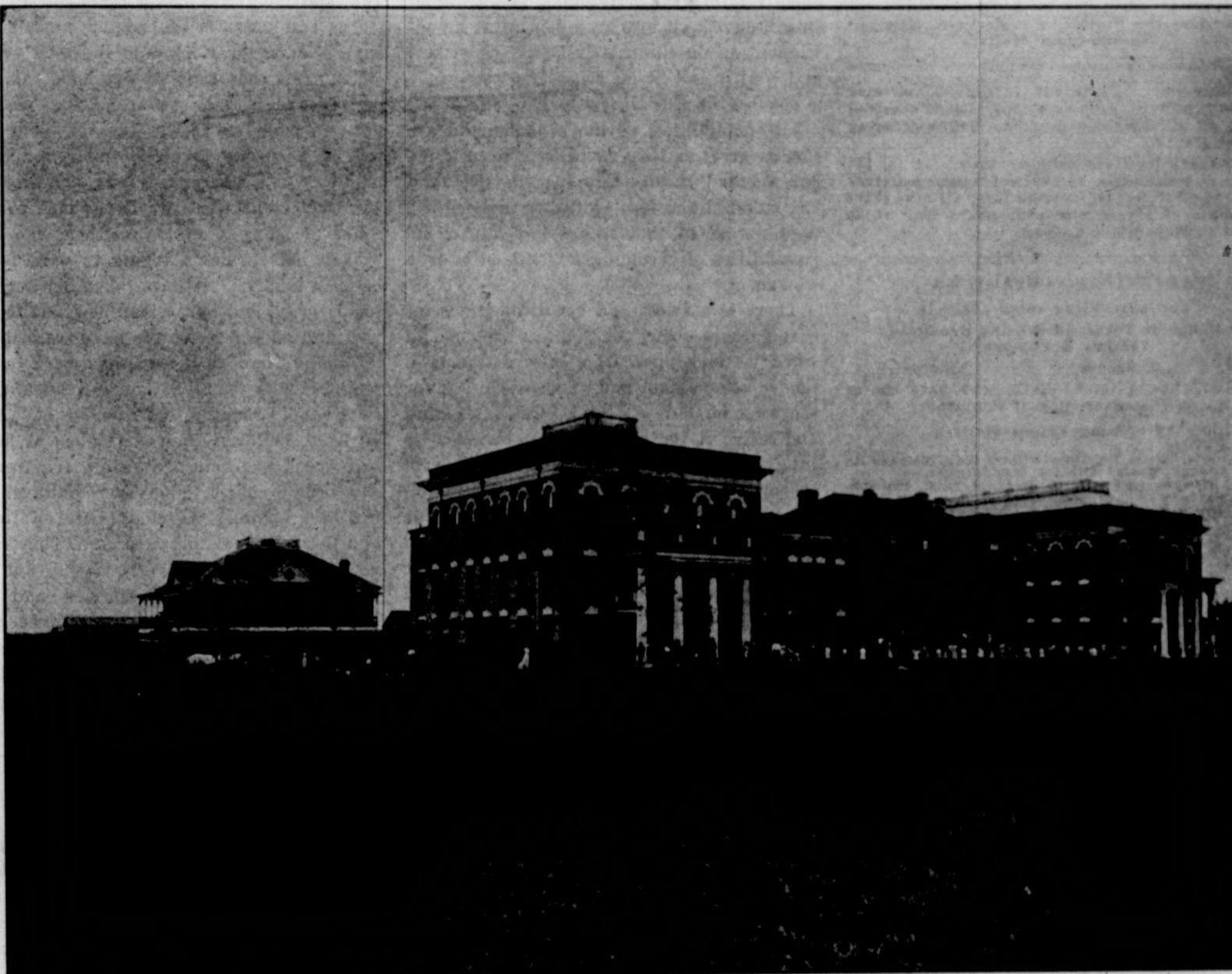
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MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST ORPHANAGE JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

The above cut gives a general view of our buildings. The little building to the extreme left is our lumber shed where we store lumber for our wood shop. Next is our babies' building, which is now accommodating comfortably, twenty-eight children from two to five years old. The part of the small building you see just to the right is our laundry, which sets just back of the babies' building. The next is the boy's building, in which we can accommodate about ninety boys; we have now in

the building seventy-nine. Next is the two-story building, the lower story of which is our dining room, 34 x 80, the second story is the chapel, which is the same size. Next is the Jennings Hall, the front of which is used for offices and the Superintendent's bed-room. Our large girls occupy this building. Next and last is the new building (Carter's Hall); this is occupied by what we call our middle-sized girls, ages ranging from six to twelve. We have in this building seventy-seven. A part of the children

Read this issue, every line of it, if you do not you will miss something that I want you to see.

In sending boxes, barrels, packages, etc., to the Orphanage, always mark them plainly Baptist Orphanage, Jackson, Miss., also

write plainly on the box the name of the person or society sending it so that we will be able to acknowledge receipt of it. Many boxes come that we cannot acknowledge because no name is given to whom we can write.

together with their helpers are scattered along in front. Just back of the boys' building is the heating plant, this does not show in the picture, extending back from that to the laundry is the wood-shop.

If you look at this picture through a tube it shows our buildings to a much better advantage. These buildings are all fitted up with steam heat and electric lights and make for our children a commodious and comfortable home.

God will dwell in your heart, and where he reigns all is peace. But, if you should fail and commit some of your old faults, do not be disheartened, but rise up and go again, as though you had not fallen.—Francis de Sales.

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Through the kindness of Brother Bailey, the editor of the Baptist, we have been accorded to the free use and control of the Baptist Record this week. We have tried to make it interesting as well as instructive to our readers. We trust that you will find in every piece something to entertain and please you and that you may get the information out of this number of the Record that will enable you to intelligently answer the questions of those who do not know about our Orphanage and its management.

We have no visiting days nor hours, our friends are welcome at any time. But don't tell our children they are pretty, some of them really are but they will find it out soon enough.

It is best not to give the little children money; it encourages them to beg, besides they most frequently lose it, to no advantage. Give it to their matron or the manager and it will be spent for their pleasure and profit.

The Orphanage and Its Work.

The Orphanage that has for its object the feeding and clothing and making comfortable the helpless, homeless orphan child is doing the lowest possible work. When God said through His servant, "When my father and mother forsake me (or are taken from me) the Lord will take me up." He did not mean simply to feed and house and clothe as we would an animal, but He meant that in taking up the helpless, homeless child, He would give that which is the natural right of the child, the opportunity of developing and training in the nurture and

admonition of the Lord; just such as we might expect any child to receive in the well regulated family home. When God said, "Pure religion, undefiled before God and the Father is to visit the fatherless and the widow," He meant more than simply offering words of comfort or pitying them in their helpless condition or even supplying the needs of the body.

The real work of the Orphanage is to take the orphan child in whatever state it finds it, and gives to it, in addition to the home comforts, such teaching and training as will develop it into an independent breadwinner, an intelligent and helpful citizen and lead it and fit it, if possible, to become a member of the Heavenly Kingdom.

The possibilities of the orphan child are just as great as they could have been if the parents had lived. The fact that a child has suffered the loss of father and mother does not mean that it has lost any of its possibilities of becoming a true man or true woman.

There is a sweet and beautiful sentiment that gathers about the helpless orphan and when we look upon it, it stirs within us a tender compassion, but we should listen for the voice of God, who said, "Take this child and nurse it for me," and in obedience to this command we should endeavor to give the opportunities that will enable it to fulfill its mission just as other children. The caring for and training of an orphan child differs in no sense from that of caring for and training a child blest with parents. I am glad that the time has come in our state when our people are looking to the higher possibilities of those whom God has given us to train for Him and that they are addressing themselves more and more to the pleasurable task of taking up those left by father and mother and giving to them that teaching and training, physically, mentally, morally and spiritually and in the domestics of life, that is fitting them for happiness and usefulness.

Let us think no longer of the Orphanage work simply as sentimental and compassionate, these are the sweets that linger in the heart of any true mother for her child and move her to do the highest and best things for it. Let us then, when God has entrusted His little ones to us, be moved by the same tender, loving compassion to do the highest and best things for them. Yes, we want to give to them shelter, food and clothing and as far as possible all that they have lost in the breaking up of their homes and even more to many.

One day, when our work is over, we shall be glad when we come face-to-face with our Lord and He shall look upon us with His approving smile and say, "In as much as ye did it unto the least of these, my little ones, ye did it unto me." J. R. Carter.

Is It Worth While.

Some have asked the question and doubtless many have wondered, "After all, is our Orphanage work worth while? This is a perfectly legitimate question, as much so

as in our mission work, educational work, or church work. Any man who spends his time or money in any enterprise or otherwise interests himself in any business should seriously consider the outcome of it. I am glad our people are thus considering the outcome of our Orphanage work. I have said, conscientiously, many times that I believe that the caring for our orphan children is as hopeful and promising as that of caring for the same number of children by their parents, either in town or country. This statement was based upon our experiences and observations in the work. We have been in the work only fourteen years. During this time many things have come to pass that please and encourage us as well as some to make us sad. That is about the way it is in the average family or community. The pleasing things are first, in our Orphanage work we have come to the relief of many a failing mother who had broken herself down trying to care for a helpless family. We have taken her burden, temporarily, and have given her time to get well and on her feet. We have trained her into helpfulness and given them back to her and now they are happy and hopeful in their family reunion. Second, we have taken many children from conditions of hopeless wreck and ruin, we have given them a comfortable home, good surroundings and the best training we could both in living and the art of making a living. They have grown up in our home and gone out for themselves. Some are married and are building up good homes, others have gone into the different avocations of life and are not only making a living but are contributing their part to society, government and to the kingdom of God.

Is it worth while?

Our Principles.

A dependence upon the clear and unmistakable promises of God, who has promised to be a Father to the fatherless, for a support of our children and a belief that this sympathy of His stewards, to whom he has committed His possessions.

That as far as possible a home shall be given to every destitute white orphan in Mississippi, who may apply, whatever may have been the religious faith of the parents, whether Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Disciple, Episcopalian, Catholic, Jew or Infidel.

That everything be managed strictly upon business principles; and every dollar appropriated according to the wishes of the giver.

That no debt is ever to be contracted by encumbering the property of the Orphanage, and only when absolutely necessary and when the Superintendent can secure it personally.

That there is never to be any connection with any traveling show, lecture, raffle, or scheme for raising money.

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By-Laws.

1. The benefits of this Orphanage are designed especially for destitute orphan children of white parentage from all parts of this State.

2. Children whose parents are both dead and who are destitute will receive first consideration; in some exceptional and special cases children may be received whose mother is still living but who may be destitute or afflicted; but those whose father is still living cannot be received unless circumstances are extraordinary.

3. None can be received who are physically or mentally afflicted, as the proper place for such would be a hospital or an insane asylum.

4. In all cases children must be legally committed to the Orphanage in accordance with a legal form which will be furnished by the Superintendent upon application; if a person cannot attend any of these, they should spend the day worshiping God, by reading good books or having a talk with a good friend.

5. It is expected that all children be delivered to the Orphanage in Jackson free of charges to the management.

6. Orphans once committed to the Orphanage must remain until released by its authorities. It will be the policy of the trustees for the present to keep orphans until prepared for self-support; but they may be adopted into families where satisfactory assurance is given that they will be treated as children and not as servants, provided friends in the community from which they came do not object.

7. Are we thankful for the things that are being done for us? We can never appreciate things as well as we should. Let us try harder to appreciate what God and people are doing for us.

As the day comes around once a year, let us not forget to be thankful, and then we should not wait a whole year before giving thanks again. Let us offer thanks unto God every day and thank Him more on Thanksgiving Day.

In the year of 1621 Governor Bradford, their leader, sent out men to get wild fowl to celebrate the occasion. We do not keep the exact day they kept, but it is for the same purpose. The day we keep now was first appointed by President Lincoln, approved by the governors of the different states.

men and women. We can only give to them a limited amount of instruction from necessary limitations.

Two months of the session of 1911-12 give a good foundation on which to build the future work. The work is moving along almost without a jar. The work done, and interest manifested is very encouraging.

We want to know how Thanksgiving should be kept. It should be observed as a religious holiday. Many men spend the day, drinking whiskey, disturbing the peace. It should not be spent that way. Religious services should be held on Thanksgiving Day, and every one able should attend. Sometimes entertainments and social festivals are given. It is alright to celebrate the day that day. In neighboring villages children gather together and have their social games and entertainments. They show as good prospects, and some better, than can be found anywhere. They are ambitious, energetic and zealous to help themselves that they may be of some benefit to humanity and the glorifying of God.

At the present the school has an enrollment of one hundred, seventy-nine. The principal with three assistants are doing what they can in educating of the large number they have. They find it necessary to alternate the beginners with the first and second grades; taking one in the morning and the other in afternoon. Each of the other teachers have two full grades to teach after dropping the eighth grade out of school to perform the necessary duties in and about the Home during school hours. So the small pupils are in school only a part of the day. But the results are as good and in some respects better than if kept in school the entire day. The work in each of the other departments, collectively and separately, is gratifying, as good as could be expected.

The Institution is seeking to give the best education that can be acquired here. With the ninth grade this year, they who take the work will be prepared to enter a higher school.

It is and has been the custom that if a boy or girl who wishes a college education, that the Superintendent, with the aid of friends, gives them such advantages. Several girls have seized this opportunity to obtain a college education. They are brilliant successes and reflect great honor on the institution. There are three girls in Blue Mountain College, one in Hillman College, also one boy in Mississippi College this year. They are making good use of their opportunities. It is the desire of the manager to prepare more boys for college that there may be more than one who is willing to make use of any opportunities that might come his way. We are confident that there are many who are capable of being developed into noble men.

We feel that by giving them a high school course and the domestic training, that they are fitted for life's duties if they are not permitted to receive any higher education and that this will enable them to cope with their competitors and make a career crowned with success.

J. G. Carter, Principal.

Thanksgiving.

By Thelma Page, of the Orphanage.

What do we mean when we speak of Thanksgiving? We mean that it is a special day set apart to give thanks unto God, for the many blessings that are ours. We should be thankful each day, but it is well for us to have a special day in each year, to remind us more of the things for which we should be thankful.

Have we ever thought who kept the first Thanksgiving Day? Many years ago when the Pilgrims landed in America, they had a hard time the first year. But in the fall when they had gathered their crops, they realized what God had done for them, and they saw much for which to be thankful.

Prompted by the highest motives for training and developing into the best young men and women, we are endeavoring to give to those who are intrusted to the care of the Home the best advantages that are in our power for the making of real

children at this writing two hundred, eleven children. They are enjoying reasonably good health; they have as good advantages, in all lines, as the average child and are as happy and promising.

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Thanksgiving.

To thy name, O God our Father, loud our voices raise
Full-voiced be our glad Thanksgiving, fervent be our words of praise;
Deeply conscious of thy blessing, knowing well thy tender care,
Grateful may we bow before thee, joyful lift to thee our prayer.

O'er our rich and beauteous country, filled with wealth of field and plain,
Wide we cast our eyes and, gazing, raise our glad Thanksgiving strain;
Gem of countries richly dowered by creative Hand Divine,
In thy loveliness we revel, round thy brow our garlands twine.

Fields have smudged with gracious harvest, vineyards flushed with clusters fine,
Barns are filled with store in plenty, presses burst with rich new wine;
Let us not, then, bounty sharing, offer no Thanksgiving song,
But let praise from deep hearts rising, fervent be, and loud and strong.

For our rulers wise and watchful, stationed for our country's good,
King and council, captain, soldier, powers that be, ordained of God.
Hear, O Lord, the thanks we offer, hear as for thy grace we pray,
That in wisdom, zeal and prudence they may govern day by day.

Peace at home and peace with neighbors, ease from storm and plague and death,
For these blessings let Thanksgiving rise upon our lightest breath;
But for blessings greater, richer than all earthly, temporal good,
Evidence of larger mercy, thanks we give to thee, O God.

For the Spirit manifested, for thy gracious power bestowed
On the labors of thy people in home lands and fields abroad;
Sinners saved and saints unbuilded, gracious fruits of truth divine,
For these tokens of thy favor let our fullest thanks be thine.

Thus from every rank and station, rich or poor or great or small,
May a glad response be given to thy mercy's gracious call;
And from cottage and from villa, peasant's cot and palace grand,
In one mighty anthem rising, glad Thanksgiving fill our land.

G. Victor Colline.

What Comes Next?

Everybody writes, "Something of importance," they say, but what is more important than something to eat? Now as Thanksgiving comes on we all begin to "fix our mouths" for turkey and everything good to eat.

One of the teachers in writing to a young

man friend said, "Do you know that America is going to war with Turkey—Thanksgiving?" He wrote in answer, "When I read your letter I grabbed my old hat and gun and started." Now, it is unanimous with us that we will be volunteers in this battle but we have decided not to start with hat and gun but with knife, fork and a good appetite.

Our turkeys are a little scarce yet but we are trusting that they will be in and as nearly ready for the Thanksgiving dinner as any of us. The turkeys feel that they stand such a good chance for a big show here that they have always before been already begun to arrive for this year's dinner, "Johnnie on the spot," and they have

raised and canned on his plantation.

We saw the health exhibit, which was interesting indeed. From the illustrative pictures we derived much helpful information. We also saw some of the nicest jelly and preserves which had been put up by ladies in the country.

The Art Gallery was one of the most interesting things that I saw. One very beautiful painting which attracted my attention was, "The Moon-Light on the Lake."

We went to see "The Largest Horse in the World," "Luther, the Spider Man,"

"The Woman Who Cut and Sewed with Her Feet," "The Wild Woman," and the "Dwarfs," and many other things of interest.

We enjoyed seeing all these unusual specimens of nature and thank our friends very much for being so kind as to let us see them all free of charge. I think the Fair this year was better than it has been in several years.

Again I want to thank the managers of the State Fair and all other friends for their kindness to us and hope to live so as to prove ourselves worthy of their good favor.

With best wishes to all of our friends, I remain,

Your little friend,
Martha Lowther.

Maben, Miss., Nov. 9, 1911.
The Baptist Record,

Jackson, Miss.

Dear Sirs:

Wednesday morning, November 1st, Mr. Carter announced at the breakfast table that he had made arrangements for us to go to the Fair. We could not all go at the same time so the pupils in Miss Lois Cain's and Miss Emma Carter's rooms went in the morning and the rest of us at night.

The little children were ready and waiting at the car line for the car which the company had been so kind as to send out for them at eight thirty o'clock. They spent the morning at the fair grounds and came

at noon, anxious to tell about the many things they saw.

At six o'clock a car was waiting to carry Garvin Carter's and Miss Dorman's pupils to the Fair. We thank the company very much for the delightful ride to town. The first thing we saw of interest was the flower exhibit. There were beautiful flowers of all colors. We went through the Art Building, which contained many wonderful exhibits. The Old Ladies' Home Department was very interesting. One of the ladies offered us all a nice saucer of jello but we did not have time to eat it. We thanked the lady very much for her kindness.

From the Art Building we went to see the department which exhibits the latest methods of furnishing electricity for private homes and especially country homes. We then went to the Agricultural Building, which contained many interesting exhibits. The A. & M. College had a good exhibit. The State Farm had an exhibit and it made our hearts ache to think that we had to have a State Farm in Mississippi.

Mr. Carter seems to be especially set apart for this noble work. There is that cheery contented expression of the boys and girls we saw that reminded one of a big model home.

We took a peep into the infants' sleeping rooms and no more pathetic picture could be imagined than to see twenty to thirty little tots, each in a separate cot, sound asleep, unmindful of a motherless love and yet mercifully finding a haven in the hearts of those in charge.

We only wish that every Baptist of Mississippi could see the great good being done in this, our Baptist Orphanage of Mississippi.

Yours truly,

Chas. S. Sheffield.

Thursday, November 23, 1911.



The above cut shows a picture of our barn with our herd of cattle in front, also the buggy and Old Bess, our buggy horse; we prize her very highly because for many years she belonged to our beloved Dr. Fulgham and brought him back and forth on his visits of mercy, comfort and counsel.

The Children's Home.

If you visit our Capitol City, and take a car-ride from the railroad station up Bailey avenue, you will come to a pretty group of brick buildings, with a well-kept lawn in front, where all kinds of forest trees have been planted, and fountains play in the sunlight. This is the Home of our orphan children, and a pretty home it is, the surroundings appealing to the aesthetic taste, as well as having been arranged for comfort and convenience.

As you enter the grounds, the children will greet you on all sides with bright faces and friendly salutations, for they never seem to consider any one a stranger.

How happy the little children seem, and how little they seem to understand their great loss in having been deprived of their parents' love and care. They have been transplanted as it were, like young and tender plants from the homes where the death angel has entered, and carried away their loved ones, to this new home, and the little lives are given in trust to the guardianship of those who have taken their places.

Enough cannot be said in the commendation of the work of these noble people who devote their whole time to the care and the training of these children whose young lives

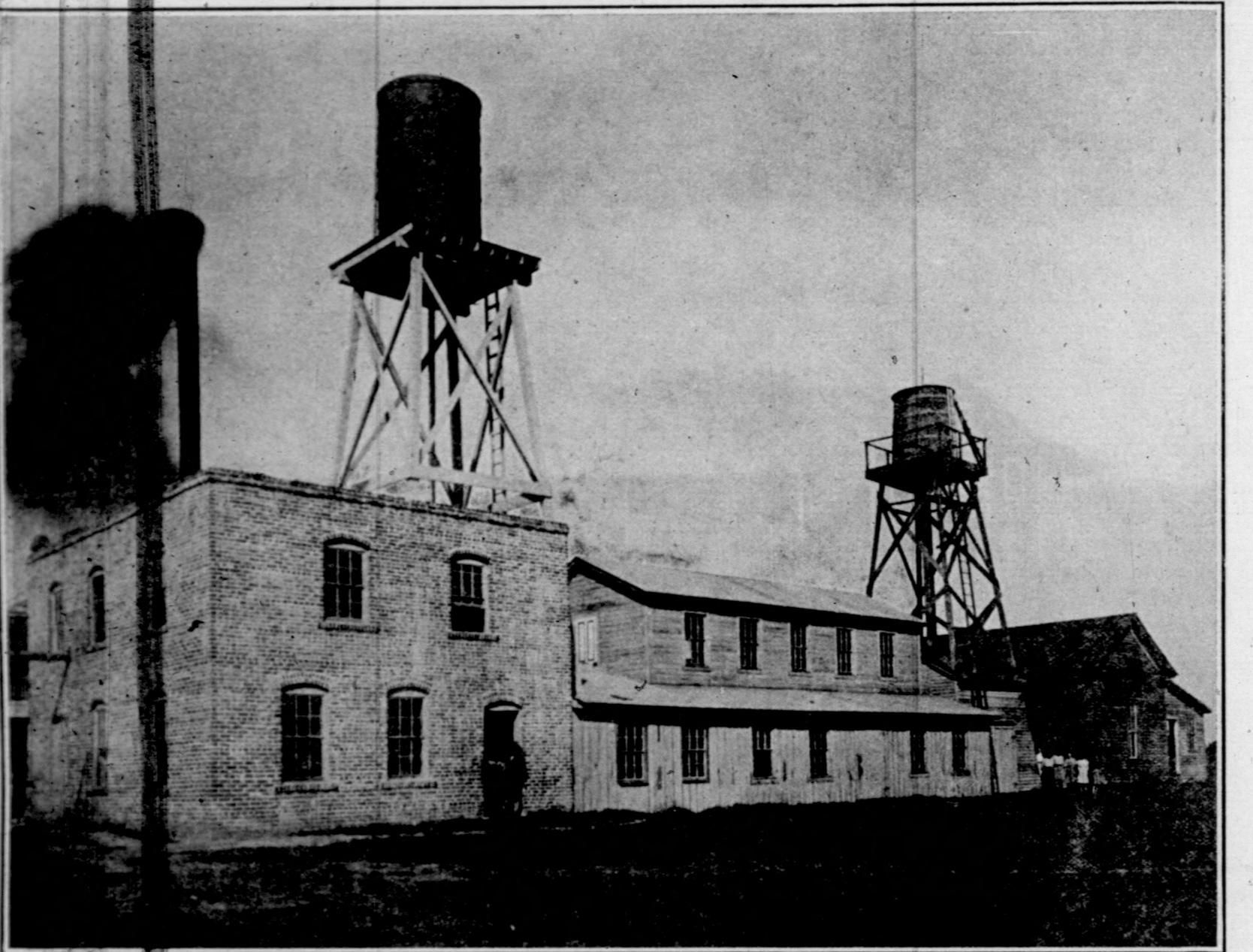
nished comfortable quarters for eighteen of our milk cows, together with some heifers, coming on to take the place of the old ones that are passing out. Scattered among the cattle are some of the boys that have the care of them. The ell to the left is our cow barn and fur-

are here receiving not only the best instruction in the art of good housekeeping and a good literary education, but in their hearts the seed of truth is being sown daily and it is the Master's own work, and they will be repaid for their faithful service in the day when He will say to them, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto these, ye have done it unto me."

It is said that a great artist once painted a picture of Christ, and knowing the instinct of children, he called a small child into his studio and showing him the likeness, asked the child who it was. The child answered that it was some great man, and the artist realized that he had made a failure.

But, undaunted, still, he studied the life of Christ for years and again painted a picture and again called in a little child and asked who it was. Without hesitation the child answered, "That is suffer the children." So may our hearts be full of loving sympathy for the dear children whom the Master loved so well that even His face reflected the spirit of His great heart of love.

C. L. Mabry.



The above cut is a picture of our heating plant, wood shop and laundry. The brick to the left is our heating plant. The wooden building between the two tanks is our wood shop; the building to the right is our

laundry. We are real anxious to tear out all the wooden buildings and replace them with brick. And do away with the danger of fire to which we are now exposed. I have been

wondering if some good man or woman might not give us \$2,500.00 and let us make this change in the near future. We can do the work if we had the material.

Have I Any Possibilities?

What are the possibilities of an orphan girl? Some people seem to think there are no possibilities for her, meaning that she is dependent just as she feels dependent upon the charity of the people and let her opportunities slip by? What is the use of being dependent when there are opportunities that can do good and help her in life?

I could not be well cared for in my locality so the good people thought it best that we, three brothers and myself, should be sent here. I was ten years old then and these are the things that have been taught me since I came to the home.

Now here I am in a good home and have an opportunity of being a teacher, learning to cook, sew and work in a steam laundry. The question with me is, "Am I going to utilize my time and opportunities?"

Here we are educated, as well as trained in domestic work. I have tried to make the best of my opportunities in school, so as to be ready for the best thing planned for me by the time I am seventeen. By that time I will have finished the ninth grade and will be prepared by domestic training to do ordinary laundry work, most any kind of cooking, with a little instruction, and can make most all of my clothes. My aunt furnished me with a lot of Draughn's Business Course books and through the kindness of

the stenographer last summer, I received some instructions in that work and hope to do some more next summer. Most of this I have learned since I have been in the Home.

I am doing all I can as this is my last year of school here and, maybe my last session anywhere. The thing I wish to do is to make a good and useful woman and help the helpless and thereby repay what has been done for me by the good people all over the state.

I shall do all I can to keep up the good name that our Home bears. It pays to have a good name and in this way be chosen by the best people to the best position.

We all want to take advantage of our opportunities.

Rasy Rutland.

Remember that \$5.00 per month pays the expenses of an orphan.

in our present number are displaying traits of character and dispositions tending to make them an honor to the Institution. Although possible, it is not probable that every girl and boy raised here will come up to our ideal. Some will not. There are always exceptions to a rule. May they not be many.

Not only are these men and women going out but the Institution is growing. During these fourteen years some five hundred boys and girls have come under its influence. There are two hundred at present and who knows how many hundreds more will look here for the sheltering home influence during future years. Our home and farm of over a hundred acres has, during the fourteen years of its existence, grown beyond the expectation of those who have contributed to its support. Other magnificent brick structures will go up and our farm and place be beautified and improved as occasion demands. The buildings now will accommodate three hundred but this will be sufficient for only a short while. We must be growing and enlarging all the time.

The Orphanage is more than a home for the homeless. It is an industrial training school as well. Children are not raised here and sent out without an idea of how to do those things necessary to the maintenance of life. They are taught to do different kinds of work and to honor honest labor. If all who come under its influence can be permeated with this spirit, all efforts put forth will be worth while. This industrial phase of the work we are so anxious to see enlarged by better equipment and more instructors. We want not only to introduce new lines of work but to improve and make more effective what we already have.

Several conditions must be met if the future of our Orphanage is as bright as we hope for it to be. Of course our ideal is for the Institution to go on fulfilling the purpose for which it was established, that of taking the children that in the providence of God are left to its care and developing their three-fold natures into noble manhood and womanhood. And we want to do this in a larger and more effective way. But the Home is not an automatic machine. It will not run by itself. And there must be power from several different sources.

First, it must have the support of Mississippi's Baptist people. By support we mean more than money. Of course the bills must be paid and the money must come but we want more than that.

You must continue to give your prayers and the heart interest that have been such a blessing and inspiration in these past years. It is one of God's avenues of usefulness for you and you must love and cherish it as such.

Then, there must be the Superintendent, and what a standard he must measure up to. If any place ever called for a perfect man, this certainly does. What an unselfish, big-hearted, consecrated Christian he must be. He must have an inexhaustible supply of energy, good judgment, common sense, and all the virtues that could be mentioned for there will be a constant demand for

each. We have found our ideal Superintendent in Brother Carter and we hope to have him for years to come. With the Superintendent there must be a corps of matrons and teachers whose hearts are filled with the love of God and interest in children and their welfare. Of course there must be the children, but we need have no fear on that score. As long as there is sorrow and suffering in the world, there will be those who need what we are trying to give.

So with our dreams of material improvement realized and these conditions met, under the blessing and guidance of God, we see the Orphanage in the future proving itself a still greater channel of blessing and exerting an influence that can be measured only in eternity, for

"He who helps a child, helps humanity. He who enriches a life, enriches the world."

Emma Carter
Lois Cain.

O. I. C. Orphans' Improvement Club for Mental, Physical and Moral Culture.

Maben, Miss., Nov. 9, 1911.

To the Baptist Baraca and Philanthropic Classes of Mississippi and Others.

Dear Friends:

It has been the writer's pleasure and privilege for several Sundays while in Jackson to attend the afternoon Sunday school at the Baptist Orphanage and learn somewhat of the very excellent management under the superintendence of Brother Carter and his assistants, and I am sure that we do not realize the great work he is doing and the greater opportunity within our reach of laying a foundation for character building and starting in life the hundreds of children that are now there and the hundreds more that will be brought there from time to time under the jurisdiction of the Baptist of Mississippi. There are at the present time 208 children from little tots up to boys and girls to fifteen, and soon the capacity of the new building just finished will be taxed. I know of no more pathetic sight than to look into the faces of those numerous children and realize the great responsibility of moulding their lives and character for the battles of life which are to follow their entering into the various lines or channels in which they will embark after they leave this institution.

The Home is beautifully situated on high and advantageous ground, covering 112 acres where the boys are taught agricultural pursuits and other branches of industry, and through the excellent management of Mr. Carter have added greatly to revenue.

Noticing the lack of a sadly needed library and in speaking to Brother Carter about it, replied that he would dearly love to have one as the children were very fond of reading, but he did not feel at the present time like taxing the income when it was requiring so much for the present needs.

I told him that I believed that if the Baraca and Philanthropic and other Classes of our Sunday schools throughout the state un-

derstood the present need of a good library, they would gladly come to the rescue and cheerfully contribute to this enterprise. I therefore called a meeting of all the boys and girls of the Orphanage and laid the matter before them and told them that if they desired a library and would chip in and help that I thought that we would do the rest. By a unanimous vote, they therefore at once organized a society to be called the Orphans' Improvement Club, the purpose being to improve their minds, their physical and moral natures, and to start the movement with a new library. They unanimously voted to raise themselves toward the library fund \$10.00, in various ways—the boys by doing odd jobs and the girls by making doll dresses, sewing, etc.

Now shall it be up to us to come to the rescue. Will you please take the matter up and join as honorary members of the Orphans' Improvement Club and send your membership fee of whatsoever sum you feel like giving, sending it direct to Dr. Carter, and mark it O. I. C. fund.

This club is now only a few months old, being composed of some seventy-five of the older inmates and is working wonders with the children instilling in their minds a laudable ambition in taking up reading courses, hearing lectures, debates, etc. Their decorum and parliamentary usages already practiced would shame many older societies and will mean much to them at a later period.

Prominent men are taking pleasure in giving instructive and pleasing lectures. Their entertainments are enjoyable affairs and they are now looking forward with great interest in fond hopes of a library and suitable room with library fixtures.

May we hope some day later a gymnasium, bath pool, etc., will be added. In fact take them to our hearts as one of our own family, thus fulfilling the Saviour's promise in as much as you have done it to one of these you have done it unto me.

Then may we not take the matter up at once and let this Thanksgiving and Christmas days be gladdened by hearty response, either in contributions of cash or suitable books.

Uncle John.

Suggestions to Parents.

Parents and relatives are requested not to write to the children about business matters. Always arrange such things with the Superintendent.

Parents and relatives are requested not to visit their children more than once a quarter and never with the expectation of spending the night.

Parents having children in the Orphanage are expected to contribute whatever they can to their support or to save up their money with a view of taking their children out as soon as possible. If they have money to spend on their children they ought to spend it for something that they really need rather than for knick-knacks.

Parents who can and will not help in the support of their children will not be consulted as to the disposing of their children.

The Active Dollar.

In a small town one night, a blacksmith shop and contents burned, and all tools were ruined. The next morning the inhabitants of the entire village turned out to see the ruins and to express their sympathy to the village blacksmith. A stranger, by chance, drove up and asked the crowd what was the trouble. They replied that the blacksmith, who was a hard working man, had his all in the shop with no insurance, and depended on it to support his family; and that they felt so sorry for him. He took the situation in at a glance and said, "I feel sorry for him to the extent of one dollar; how much do you feel sorry for him?" They took the hint, and soon enough was raised to start him afresh.

Not so long ago, in your own neighborhood, you stood by the coffin containing the remains of a poor widow, paid the last tribute to the departed, and wondered what would become of the little helpless family that she had struggled for, working hard to keep together since the death of their father! But by overwork and worries she finally succumbed to the final call. You wished in your big heart you had enough to provide a home for them, but you had so little you were ashamed to suggest to your neighbors to join with you in a contribution to the extent of a dollar each. Other noble women thought the same but said nothing, so the body was decently buried and those helpless little ones were bundled off to some distant relatives already taxed to the limit in the care of their own, but with that self-sacrificing spirit made a way for them at the expense of cutting down their meager comforts of their own; making a loaf feed two where before one hardly sufficed.

Thus, thousands of dependent children are thrown into the struggling masses, cramped in body and mind, and few moral safe-guards. But listen, the Savior, a man acquainted with grief, by his own will and love of humanity, spent three years of devoted service preceding the Cross that His followers might imitate His example, provide for the fatherless.

Yours,
Dollar Bill.

Facts About Getting Children into the Orphanage.

We want to remember that the benefits of the Orphanage are intended primarily for full orphans and the most destitute of these, where a distinction must be made. We cannot take boys over nine nor girls over twelve years of age. We are not prepared to care for little babies at all, but we have had no trouble in finding good homes for tiny babies where they are to be placed out. If relatives are able to care for their kin it is expected that they will do so, rather than put them on public charity. If the friends and neighbors in any community can help a dependent mother to keep her children with her and care for them, it is much better than for them to be separated. If a child or children must of necessity go on public charity, it is the privilege of the community that must support them to send them to the Orphanage.

Our Orphanage Farm.

Our farm is not a small factor in the support of our Home, as we raise each year the most of our bread and the feed stuff for our stock, except the meal and hulls for our milk cows.

We raise a good portion of our meat, our cows furnish the milk and butter for our family, and we are building up our herd each year. We raise almost all our vegetables for more than two hundred people. We have gathered this year one thousand

Master as you realize yourselves being used in His service.

As the days go by, it is the good we do that counts.

Early one morning, I was going into one of the great buildings in St. Louis and at the threshold met a forlorn stranger who asked me for a mite for something to eat, thinking he was the usual type of tramps, I brushed him by and started upstairs, but somehow his miserable looks troubled me, and I went back to hunt him. Leaning against a post and with tears streaming down his face I found him, a picture of misery, I handed him some change and directed him to a nearby restaurant, and waiting a few minutes I thought I would step over and see if he was eating. There he was, eating as though he had not tasted a bite in days. I quietly slipped up and without his knowing it, dropped a little change in his pocket and went out with that thought that indeed half of the world does not know how the other half lives.

The 5c and 10c store seems a little business, but Mr. Wolfert of New York, the father of them, is operating a chain of some 400 in the eastern cities, and has become immensely rich. He is now building in New York City, the tallest building in the world, all from 5 and 10 cent sales.

It is the gentle rays of the morning sun that peep into our windows daily, and not the noonday scorching glare that gladdens our lives. So with our daily opportunities faithfully performed that day by day adds material thus creating a monument piercing through the mist of time, and finally reaching the eternal city, echoing back the coveted words of our Saviour: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

Dollar Bill.

Our Free Cars.

There are plans for several free cars to run on the different lines of railroads to bring supplies of food and clothing to our Baptist and Methodist Orphanages. One will run on the I. C. R. R. on November 28; one on the G. & S. I. R. R., on November 28; one starting from Corinth on the M. & O. R. R., December 2; another from Okolona December 2; and one starting at Walnut via Newton, on December 1; also one from Natchez on the Y. & M. V. R. R., date not fixed.

Due announcements will be made locally, as there are special parties managing all these cars. This affords a splendid opportunity for our friends to help in the support of our children, but it is to be understood that these contributions of produce should not cut off the money contributions. Unless this is understood it will be an easy matter for the free car plan to hinder instead of help in the support of our children.

must be filled out by the people in the community where the children live. On application the superintendent will send out blanks which must be filled out and sent back for the consideration of the receiving committee. If the children can be received, commitment blanks will be sent which must be filled out and signed by an officer and returned with the children. Each child must be examined by a responsible physician and a certificate from the physician sent with the child certifying that it has no contagious disease of any kind that would spread in our Home —(for want of proper care along this line we have suffered many things, especially in the way of skin diseases.) The expenses of children sent to the Orphanage should be arranged for by the community sending them. Give the Superintendent at least three days' notice on what train the child will come. Do not send children on trains that reach Jackson in the night, if it can be avoided. After a child has been received into the Home, friends and relatives are requested not to visit them often and never with the expectation of spending the night, as this is contrary to the rules of the Home. Mothers of children received into the Home, are requested not to come to Jackson to live, as it always gives us trouble and makes it almost impossible for the child to be contented in the Home. Trust us, mothers, if you must give them up; we will take care of your children until you are able to take care of them.

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bushels of corn, one thousand bushels of sweet potatoes, about twenty-five tons of hay, two thousand bundles of oats, fifty bushels of wheat, and this with no outlay of money except the farmer's salary.

Some people wonder how this is done just with the small boys; some question if the work is not too hard for them.

No boy is required to do more work than is good for him. It is like the old saying that "the tiny drops of water make the mighty ocean, and the little grains of sand make the lofty mountain;" so, many little boys can do a deal of work, and only require encouragement, training, and patience. The farmer's books show that \$193.40 worth of produce has been sold from the farm this year. This does not include 600 pounds of lint cotton grown on three acres of land as an experiment with the boll weevil.

Our land is in good tillable condition.

We are constantly enriching it with stable manure and gleanings from the oil mills. It is our purpose to make our farm one of the best and most productive in the State.

We are trying to instill into our boys a love for the farm, and they are becoming more and more interested as they see the rich yield that mother earth will give when energy and intelligence is applied.

We regard farming as one of the most healthful remunerative and honorable pursuits in life. We are glad to see our boys growing enthusiastic over this work, and hope that they may make such records in the world as that our friends who contributes to the support of the home may some day rejoice that they had a hand in their training.

Our boys and girls have many advantages here than those of the farm but I leave it to those in other departments of the work to speak of this.

With the exception of the spiritual and general welfare of the children, I am giving my interests and efforts to the farm.

At this time when we are made to count our blessings, we find ourselves thanking God for faithful friends over the State and wish for them all of the blessings that come to the upright in heart.

A. L. Broome, Farmer.

The Spiritual Life of the Orphans' Home.

Wm. A. Borum.

I wish that our Baptist people throughout the State could really know what splendid religious training is given the large family of children in our Orphans' Home. I never fully appreciated this successful feature of the Home until as a pastor I came in intimate touch with Brother Carter's work.

In the exercises of their evening family altar the spirit of worship is so sweet that the visitor feels himself brought into the presence of the Master. The children's singing is so hearty, and the prayer by one of the larger boys is so earnest that none can wonder at the spirit that pervades that happy home.

In the Sunday School they are taught not only Bible lessons, but are taught to memorize

verses and passages, until many of them can repeat chapters with the greatest ease.

I know that thousands of homes in our land would be not only happier, but more prosperous, and have less friction if there were a daily gathering at the family altar. If there be a secret in the ease of management of this large family, and the constant poise that characterizes it, I am sure that it can be explained by the fact that like the home in Bethany, there is always a place there and a welcome for Jesus.

It will give pleasure to the friends of the Orphanage everywhere to know that nearly all of the children there who have reached the age of accountability are members of our Jackson churches. They have never been received, however, without the most careful inquiry into their experience of grace, and their intelligent understanding of the plan of salvation, by both Brother Carter and the pastors of the churches.

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While we all feel keenly our loss, we are comforted with the blessed consciousness that all is well with him. He will live on and on in the lives of many of our children and many others whose lives have been blest by his counsel and Christian influence.

Rest, dear Doctor, from your loving toil,

In your new home of joy,

And we will come with the host of loved ones

To join you in your loved employ.

The following prayer was prepared by Dr. Arnold, of Rugby, for his personal, daily use before going into the schoolroom:

"O Lord, I have a busy world around me; eye, ear and thought will be needed for my work to be done in that busy world. Now, ere I enter upon it, I would commit eye, ear and thought to thee. Do thou bless them, and keep their work thine; that as through thy natural laws my heart beats as my blood flows without any thought of mine for them, so my spiritual life may hold on its course at these times when my mind cannot consciously turn to thee to commit each particular thought to thy service."

DR. F. L. FULGHAM.

"A thought of the little while of it all would make many an annoyance that frets our souls and spoils our companionships drop into insignificance. The rough place in the road is so short and the journey so long, why trouble over that which will be so soon passed by? We can be such a little while together that we can well afford to be tender and forbearing."

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reach the source of all help. His remarkable prayer makes up today's lesson. Let us study it reverently and earnestly, asking God as did the disciples: "Lord, teach us how to pray."

Why was Nehemiah? (1:1)
During the reign of what king did he probably live?

Where?

What was his position in the Persian Court? (1:11)
What was a cup-bearer?

Why was the position a dangerous one?

Why was it much sought for?

Where was Nehemiah when his friends came to him?

Where had they come from?

What questions did he ask them? Why?

Just what was the condition of the Jews in Jerusalem at that time?

What decree of Ezra had aroused hostility against the Jews?

How did the news affect Jeremiah?

Why was he so distressed?

What was his first act after hearing the evil tidings?

Why did he fast?

What shows that he believed in prayer?

What did he recognize in God? Verse 5.)

Name another element found in his prayer. (Verse 6.)

Why did he begin his prayer with confession?

Why did he include himself among the sinful of Israel?

What shows that he was faithful in prayer?

How did he show his faith in God's promises?

What promises did he plead?

What condition in them had he fulfilled?

With what definite purpose was he praying? (Verse 11.)

When was his prayer answered? (2:1-8.)

How?

Why was this prayer effectual? (Nehemiah was a righteous man; his prayer was unselfish; he showed great faith in God, and he did all he could to help answer his own prayer.)

SEEK FURTHER ANSWERS.

What is prayer?
Do you pray? When?

What are the best reasons you know of for praying?

When is prayer answered?

Why does God answer prayer? How much time ought we to spend in prayer?

What are the conditions of effective prayer, as shown in Nehemiah's life?

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Do you pray for your friends (missionaries) in the far away lands?

Does their condition ever grieve you?

Are your prayers selfish or unselfish in motive?

Do you really pray, or just "say your prayers?"

Why is it a comfort to know that God is faithful?

Why does God put a condition with His promises?

How far is the need of our brothers a challenge to us to help them?

Who are our brothers?

What qualities are found in the true patriot?

Name some other Bible characters who though prosperous themselves allied themselves with an unpopular and apparently hopeless cause.

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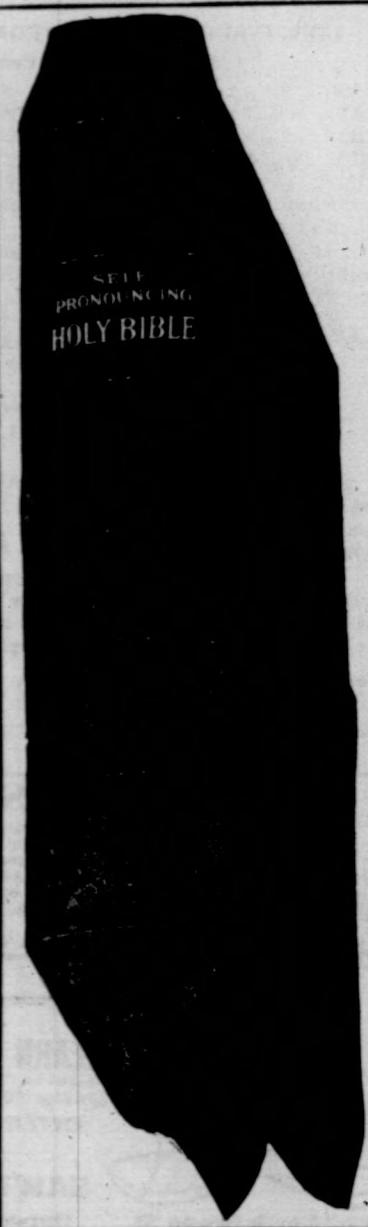
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